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In the Claims:

1-7. (canceled)

8. (original)

An automobile entry detector for garages comprising:

a light transmitter unit capable of transmitting a beam of light;

a garage door opener controller unit electrically connected to said light transmitter unit;

a garage door opener motor connected to said controller unit;

a garage door opener activation switch connected to said controller unit;

a light receptor unit electrically connected to said controller unit;

an LED connected to said light receptor unit;

a safety circuit connected to said controller unit;

a switch connected to said safety circuit and to said light receptor unit; and

an indicator lamp electrically connected to said switch.

9. (original)

The automobile entry detector for garages of claim 8 wherein said light transmitter and said light receptor are positioned within a parking structure toward the forward entry wherein said beam of light from said light transmitter unit is received by said light receptor unit and wherein the passage of the leading edge of a vehicle into said parking structure will interrupt said beam of light and said beam of light will continue to be interrupted until the trailing edge of said vehicle passes said light transmitter unit and said light receptor unit.

10. (original)

The automobile entry detector for garages of claim 9 wherein said LED is illuminated only when said beam of light is interrupted.

11. (original)

The automobile entry detector for garages of claim 8 wherein said indicator lamp is connected to the rear wall of the parking structure into which said detector is mounted wherein said lamp is located at eye level with respect to the driver of a vehicle.

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12. (original) The automobile entry detector for garages of claim 8 wherein said indicator lamp further comprises:
- a housing having a rear wall and side walls;
 - a light bulb receptacle connected to said rear wall of said housing;
 - a light bulb removably connected to said light bulb receptacle; and
 - a protective cover surrounding said light bulb without contacting said light bulb and removably connected to said side walls of said housing.
13. (original)
- The automobile entry detector for garages of claim 12 wherein said protective cover is made from a translucent or transparent material.
14. (original)
- The automobile entry detector for garages of claim 8 wherein said switch controls the illumination of said indicator lamp and illuminates said lamp when an interruption of said light beam from said light transmitter unit to said light receptor unit is detected.
- 15-20. (canceled)